

5. (Twice Amended) The device of claim 1, wherein each path is determined by measuring the trajectory of a golf ball propelled along the green by a method other than manually [putting]propelling the golf ball along the green with a golf club.

13. (Twice Amended) A putting improvement device for a golf course having golf holes with greens, the device comprising:

a booklet containing representations of each of the greens, each representation corresponding to a respective one of the greens and including:

elevation indicia depicting the topographical profile of the corresponding green; and

a plurality of putting benchmarks disposed on the representation and identifying predetermined[, non-estimated] paths along which a golf ball will travel when putted on the corresponding green, and further wherein the predetermined paths are determined at least in part by a method other than manually propelling a golf ball along the green with a golf club.

24. (Twice Amended) A method for improving putting on a green, comprising:

determining a plurality of paths on the green along which a golf ball will travel when putted, wherein the plurality of [putts]paths are determined at least in part by a method other than manually ^{propelling} putting a golf ball across [with]the green; ^{with a golf club.}

creating a topographical representation of the green; and

projecting the plurality of fixed paths on the topographical representation to form a putting improvement device.

29. (Amended) The method of claim 28, wherein the determining step further includes repeating the propelling and studying steps along a different path from a starting position other than a terminal position from a prior determining step if the path fails to meet the selected criteria.

41. (Amended) A putting improvement device, comprising:

a representation of a green; and

a plurality of putting indicia on the representation, wherein each of the putting indicia identifies a determined path along which a golf ball will travel when putted on the green, and further wherein each of the paths is determined by a method other than manually [putting]propelling a golf ball along the green with a golf club.

REMARKS

Applicant requests the following points of reconsideration:

Claim 1 was objected to as containing new matter in the form of the term "non-estimated." Applicant believes the specification supports this term, but acknowledges that specific use of the precise term is not made in the specification. Rather than debate the issue, Applicant proposes replacing "non-estimated" with the language discussed below with respect to claim 5, namely, that the paths are determined at least in part by a method other than manually propelling the golf ball along the green with a golf club.